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Senate Bill 249 (As Introduced)

Topic: Restricted Video Games

Sponsor: Senator Clarke

Co-sponsors: Senators Cropsey, Cherry, Basham, Olshove, Hardiman,

Prusi, Switalski, Brown, Birkholz, Goschka, Garcia, Stamas, Jacobs, Scott, Van Woerkom, Kuipers, Clark-Coleman, Allen,

Hammerstrom, Brater, and Schauer

Committee: Senate Judiciary

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The bill adds Section 143a to the Michigan Penal Code to prohibit the sale or rental of a restricted video game to person less than 17 years of age. "Restricted video game" is defined by the bill as a video game rated AO (Adults Only) or M (Mature) by the Entertainment Software Rating Board. A person violating the prohibition is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than one year, a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both.